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Last of the Season.

On Saturday evening, the junior members of the Royal Engineers' Quadrille Party gave the last of the season's soirees. During the hot summer months, these soirees, by both senior and junior N.C.O.'s, have proved a source of great enjoyment to all who have attended. Besides being the best of the season, Saturday's affair will also be the last one that will be attended by many of the N.C.O.'s in Hongkong, since several of them are about to leave the Colony, some for home, while others will be drafted to other stations further south. In all the stations, both at home and abroad, it is practically always the Royal Engineer Corps that is looked upon to provide the many diversions in the way of variety entertainments, concerts and dances, and occasional fancy dress balls, the latter, especially, being generally a huge success.

There were sixteen tables set for the programme on Saturday night. These included several dances (Waltzes, Lancos, Schottische, De Albers, De Styrians, Valse and Quadrilles), the dances being greatly enjoyed by the very large number of ladies and gentlemen present. The musical portion of the programme was provided by Miss Quinn, Mr. Chase, Miss Sheffeld, Corporal Williams, Bombardier Saunders and Mr. Allen. Each of the items were capitally rendered and met with due appreciation. The best being somewhat oppressive inside the hall, a tent had been rigged up outside and connected with the hall entrance, when the guests were able to enjoy the somewhat cooler atmosphere of the open air without the interference of the rain. A most enjoyable evening closed with the playing of the national anthem by the orchestra.

JEALOUSIES HINDERING RAILWAY BUILDING IN SOUTH CHINA.

It is well known that for some time certain business men have projected a railway from Fatsan to Kowloon, and have sought permission to construct it. But it appears that the Company which is building the main line from Canton to Hankow secured a promise from the powers that be that no other Company should be allowed to build a railway closer than ten English miles on either side of their line. The promoters of this branch line are not prepared to admit that the line to Fatsan from Canton forms any essential part of the main line, and, therefore, as Fatsan is more than ten English miles from Canton, they are not intruding upon the monopoly that may have been granted the original promoters of the larger undertaking. The situation being what it is, one of our Fatsan friends has proceeded to bring the matter before the Board of Postal Arrangements, to endeavour to secure the necessary permission for this branch line. He points out that a line between these two places is much needed, and would be a great boon to each of the towns as well as to the many intervening villages. He points out that the trade would be very great, and that there are many industries that would be advantaged thereby. The capital, four hundred thousand dollars, has already been practically subscribed, and would be forthcoming when called for. There are eighty thousand shares, and therefore each share costs five dollars. Looking at the matter as outsiders it certainly appears as if such a line would benefit the longer line by and bye, for through Fatsan it would bring a large section of the crowded delta into direct contact with the Provincial City, and therefore with the longer line running through the centre of the empire. It is probable, however, that the project will be shelved, because the scheme is not backed by the officials, but emanates from the private section of the community.

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McGLASHAN.—On the 23rd of August,

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McGLASHAN, of a son.

WILSON.—On September 19, 1908, at

Soochow, to the Rev. and Mrs. R. C.

WILSON, of a son.

LINTZELME.—On September 23, 1908,

at No. 18 Museum Road, Shanghai, the

wife of CHARLES E. LINTZELME, of a son.

MARRIAGE.

AARON-ELZA.—On Sunday, September

20, 1908, at the Shearith-Israel Synagogue,

No. 9 Edward Road, JOSEPH AARON,

to Miss FLORENCE ELZA, of Shanghai.

DEATHS.

WALLACE.—At Chinking, on the 10th

September, WILLIAM HENRY WALLACE,

only son of the late William Brennan,

I. M. Customs, aged 30 years.

SHEWELL.—At Shanghai, on September

23, 1908, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs.

J. C. SHEWELL, aged 6 days.

MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW

Auction.

2.45 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-

ture, at No. 2, Magdalen Terrace,

(No. 150, Magazine Gap).

Meetings.

5.15 p.m.—Meeting of Hongkong Cricket

Club at Club Pavilion.

6.30 p.m.—Meeting of Hongkong Foot-

ball Club at Hongkong Hotel.

Miscellaneous.

Goods per *Yamamoto* undelivered after

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General Memoranda.

WEDNESDAY, October 30.—

2.45 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-

ture, at No. 11, Knutsford Terrace,

Kowloon.

Goods per *Zelen* undelivered after this

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Goods per *Kobung* undelivered after

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THURSDAY, October 1.—

2.45 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-

ture, at Mr. Geo. P. Lamson's

Sales Rooms.

5.30 p.m.—Meeting of H. K. A. A. A.

at Hongkong Hotel.

7 p.m.—Military Gun Practice.

SATURDAY, October 3.—

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The China Mail.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, SEPT. 28, 1908.

ABUSE OF THE RIGHT OF

APPEAL.

THERE are very many sober students

of the time who consider that England

took a retrogressive step when she

instituted a Court of Criminal Appeal.

English Judges and Counsel learned

in the law, whose acquaintance with

the technical sides of human nature

gave them warrant for their opinions

upon the suggested legislation, and

who by short, most livid lines the An-

glo-American have shown

every American

situation. The abuses which disfigure the

machinery of civil appeal will in-

evitably creep in and in the end the

Court of Criminal Appeal may develop

into a curse rather than a blessing.

Perhaps the land where the latitude

granted in the matter of appeal, both

civil and criminal, has been allowed

to run to most absurd lengths is

the United States of North America,

though Japan makes no bad

showing under her brand new Codes.

The evil in the United States, however,

is so pronounced that public attention

has long been drawn to it and many

leaders of opinion have urged various

schemes for dealing with the problem.

The latest speaker on the subject is Mr.

W. H. Tarr, the Republican candidate

for the Presidency. Speaking before

the Bar Association of Virginia re-

cently, he said that he was an advocate

for putting a limitation on the right of

appeal. He pointed out that the

present practice of appealing cases

from Court to Court, instead of secur-

ing equal justice to all, works grievous

injustice, for not infrequently cases

which ought to be settled in a week

extend over two, three and even four

years. These long delays have in many

States induced merchants and commer-

cial men to avoid the Law Courts and

to resort instead to boards of arbitra-

tion whenever any commercial dispute

arises, just as in Japan, for a similar

reason, the foreign merchants have

instituted Boards of Arbitration in

connection with their own Chambers

of Commerce. The effect of the

present abuse of the right of appeal

undoubtedly has been to revive this

complaint that now as always the law

favours the rich at the expense of the

poor, and Mr. Tarr naturally took up

this point in his address. He said—

"The complaint that the courts are

made for the rich and not for the poor

has no foundation in fact in the attitude

of the courts upon the merits of any

controversy which may come before

them, for the judges of this country are

as free from prejudice in this respect as

it is possible to be. But the inevitable

effect of the delays incident to the

machinery now required in the settle-

ment of controversies in judicial tri-

bunals is to oppress and put at a

disadvantage the poor litigant and to

give great advantage to his wealthy

opponent. I do not mean to say that it

is possible, humanly speaking, to put

them on an exact equality in regard to

litigation; but it is certainly possible to

reduce greatly the disadvantage under

which the man of little means labours in

vindication or defending his rights in

court under the existing system, and

courts and legislatures could devote

themselves to no higher purpose than

the elimination from the present system

of those of its provisions which tend to

prolong the time in which judicial

controversies are disposed of."

On the whole the newspapers support

Mr. Tarr in his contention. The *North**American*, for instance, writes—

"It is in the minds of all that the

processes of the courts to-day are in the

favour and the interest of the man with

money and with corporate power. That

feeling has been a main factor in the

making of a false class hatred that is

pregnant with peril to the country's

best welfare. That feeling we think

is exaggerated. But it is based upon the

truth which Mr. Tarr points out.

